Persons Removed from Service on Corrupt Charges

4321. DR. MOHD. HASHIM KIDWAI: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state :

(a) the names of employees of the Central Government who were removed from Government service on grounds of corruption, espionage and inefficiency during the last three years;

(b) if so, the details of the charges levelled against them; and

(c) whether the charges were proved against them ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PERSONNEL, PUBLIC GRIEVANCES AND PENSIONS AND THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI P. CHIDAMBARAM) (a) and (b) Since removal is a punishment and the power to remove is exercised by the disciplinary authorities at all levels specified in the relevant disciplinary rules, for different categories of employees, the information is not centrally monitored in this Department.

(c) Removal from service as a measure of punishment is brought about only if the charge against the accused employee is established in accordance with the prescribed procedure.

Cost escalation of various Projects

4322. SHRI A.G. KULKARNI: Will the Minister of PROGRAMME IMPLEMENTATION be pleased to refer to answer to Unstarred Question 3143 given in the Rajya Sabha on the 24th March, 1988 and state :

(a) what is the latest information as on 31st March, 1988 as regards cost escalation of various projects and list of such projects alongwith details, period and escalation cost; and

(b) what steps the Government propose to rectify such occurances?

THE MINISTER OF PLANNING AND THE MINISTER OF PROGRAMME IMPLEMENTATION (SHRI MADHAVSINH SOLANKI) : (a) As per the data available in the quarterly Monitoring System for the quarter ending March 1988, 204 out of 319 projects have cost over runs with reference to the orginally approved estimates. Of these, only 104 have shown increase of more than 20% of the originally approved estimates. Project-wise details of original and anticipated cost and date of commissioning original and anticipated of all projects are given in the Annexure [*See Appendix CXLVII, Annexure No* 144].

(b) various steps taken by Government *inter alia* include measures which are of a continuing nature such as:—

Intensive monitoring of projects by Ministry of Programme Implementation.

Indepth periodical review of progress of projects by administrative Ministries and constant pressure on project authorities for expeditious completion.

Inter-ministerial coordination and interaction.

Renewed emphasis on preparation of realistic project implementation plan.

Issue of directions for ensuring continuity of tenure of project held until the completion of project and 2-3 years beyond to ensure accountability for implementation.